



DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES EXAMINATION ANNOUNCEMENT



OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT

OPEN

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER TO ALL REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR, CREED, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, SEX, MARITAL STATUS, DISABILITY, RELIGIOUS OR POLITICAL AFFILIATION, AGE, OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION.

IT IS AN OBJECTIVE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO ACHIEVE A DRUG-FREE STATE WORK PLACE. ANY APPLICANT FOR STATE EMPLOYMENT WILL BE EXPECTED TO BEHAVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS OBJECTIVE BECAUSE THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE, THE RULES GOVERNING CIVIL SERVICE AND THE SPECIAL TRUST PLACED IN PUBLIC SERVANTS.

SPOT FOR: FAIRVIEW DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER

CONTINUOUS FILING

Applications may be downloaded from State Personnel Board website at <http://www.spb.ca.gov>. Faxed applications or resumes will not be accepted. Applications are available and MUST be filed in person or by mail with:

**FAIRVIEW DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER
PERSONNEL/TESTING OFFICE
2501 HARBOR BOULEVARD
COSTA MESA, CA 92626**

This is an open examination. Applications will not be accepted on a promotional basis. Career credits do not apply.

DO NOT SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

If you have a disability and need special testing arrangements, mark the appropriate box in Part 2 of the "Application for Examination." You will be contacted to make specific arrangements.

NO WRITTEN TEST IS REQUIRED

The entire examination will consist of an interview.

QUALIFICATIONS APPRAISAL:

Interviews will be held when a sufficient candidate pool exists and will be scheduled at the discretion of the appointing authority.

SALARY RANGE: \$2558 - \$3202

NOTE: Applicants must attach a copy of their certificate and show their certificate number, title, and expiration date on their application.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO THE EXAMINATION

NOTE: IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE YOU MEET THE EDUCATION AND/OR EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS STATED BELOW. YOUR SIGNATURE ON YOUR APPLICATION INDICATES THAT YOU HAVE READ, UNDERSTOOD, AND POSSESS THE BASIC QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED.

Possession of the legal requirements to practice as a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant in the State of California. (Applicants who are in the process of securing their certification with the California Board of Occupational Therapy Assistant will be admitted to the examination but must possess the required certificate prior to appointment into the class.)

THE POSITION

The Occupational Therapy Assistant carries out individual or group program or portions thereof as planned by or under the supervision of an Occupational Therapist; assists in administering and scoring routine tests and evaluations to determine clients' daily living skills and capacities; helps plan and implement remedial tasks or activities for clients to meet treatment goals; trains and assists clients in developing skills, interests and life styles that develop self-sufficiency in overcoming disabilities and encourage independent functioning; assists in providing developmental exercise, multiple sensory stimulation, self-care activities, sensory integrative and perceptual

motor experience to restore, reinforce or establish sensory-motor, psychosocial and cognitive function and develop self-sufficiency in overcoming disabilities; observes and reports client response to treatment; prepares work materials and assists in maintaining treatment areas and equipment in satisfactory operating condition; maintains safe environment for client; keeps progress notes and post-treatment data in records; may attend clinics; may prepare reports; and may perform clerical and reception activities related to occupational therapy.

EXAMINATION INFORMATION

This examination will consist of a qualifications appraisal interview only. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum rating of 70.00% must be attained in the interview.

Qualifications Appraisal - Weighted 100.00%

Scope:

In addition to evaluating the competitors' relative abilities as demonstrated by quality and breadth of experience, emphasis in the examining interview will be on measuring competitively, relative to job demands, each competitor's:

A. Knowledge of:

1. Concepts a scope of occupational therapy and its relationships to other health care professions.
2. Professional ethics and conduct.
3. Human anatomy and physiology.
4. Human growth and development.
5. Psychosocial and pathophysiological conditions resulting from disease or injury.

B. Ability to:

1. Establish effective therapeutic relationships with mentally and physically handicapped persons.
2. Communicate with disturbed consumers.
3. Communicate and collaborate effectively with other professional personnel.
4. Maintain ethical and professional standards of performance.
5. Utilize recognized methods in applying occupational therapy techniques.
6. Follow directions and work under close supervision.
7. Observe and record responses to treatment.
8. Keep accurate records.

If conditions warrant, this examination may utilize an evaluation of each candidate's experience and education compared to a standard developed from the class specification. For this reason, it is especially important that each candidate take special care in accurately and completely filling out his or her application. List all experience relevant to the "Requirements for Admittance to the Examination" shown on this announcement, even if that experience goes beyond the ten-year limit printed on the applications. Supplementary information will be accepted, but read the "Requirements for Admittance to the Examination" carefully to see what kind of information will be useful to the staff doing the evaluation.

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SEE REVERSE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION:

The resulting eligible list will be used to fill vacancies at Fairview Developmental Center only.

Names of successful competitors are merged into the list in order of final scores, regardless of date. Eligibility expires 24 months after it is established.

Veterans' preference credits will be added to the final score of all competitors who are successful in this examination and who qualify for, and have requested, these points.

TESTING PERIOD INFORMATION

A candidate may be tested only once during a testing period. The testing periods for this examination are January 1 through March 31; April 1 through June 30; July 1

through September 30; October 1 through December 31.

BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION: Competitors who are successful in this examination will be required to complete (prior to an appointment in this class) a background investigation document, on which information regarding certain arrests (regardless of conviction) and felony convictions must be divulged. Information collected on this document is distinct from that required on the Standard Application for Examination, Form STD-678, that is filled out prior to the examination. The hiring agency uses the information obtained on the background investigation document to conduct background investigations and/or to determine an individual's suitability for employment.

GENERAL INFORMATION

It is the candidate's responsibility to contact the Fairview Developmental Center's Testing Office three days prior to the written test date if he/she has not received his/her notice.

For an examination without a written feature it is the CANDIDATE'S RESPONSIBILITY to contact the Fairview Developmental Center's Testing Office three weeks after the final filing date if he/she has not received a progress notice.

If a candidate's notice of oral interview, EDA, performance test fails to reach him/her prior to the day of the interview due to a verified postal error, he/she will be rescheduled upon written request.

Applications are available at State Personnel Board Offices, local offices of the Employment Development Department and the Department noted on the front.

If you meet the requirements stated on the reverse side, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirement does not assume a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described on the reverse side of this bulletin will be compared with the performance of the others who take this test, and all candidates who pass will be ranked according to their scores.

THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules and all competitors will be notified.

EXAMINATION LOCATIONS: When a written test is part of the examination, it will be given in such places in California as the number of candidates warrant. Ordinarily, qualifications appraisal interviews are scheduled in Sacramento, San Francisco, and Los Angeles. However, locations of interviews may be limited or extended as conditions warrant.

ELIGIBLE LISTS: Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) subdivisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multidepartmental promotional, 4) servicewide promotional, 5) departmental open, 6) open. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible lists will expire in from one to four years unless otherwise stated on this bulletin.

GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgement, and ability to work cooperatively with others; and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination may be required. In open examinations, investigation may be made of employment records and personal history and fingerprinting may be required.

INTERVIEW SCOPE: If an interview is conducted, in addition to the scope described on the reverse of this bulletin, the panel will consider education, experience, personal development, personal traits, and fitness. In appraising experience, more weight will be given to the breadth and recency of pertinent experience and evidence of the candidate's ability to accept and fulfill increasing responsibilities than the length of his/her experience. Evaluation of a candidate's personal development will include consideration of his/her recognition of his/her own training needs; his/her plans for self-development; and the progress he/she has made in his/her efforts toward self-development.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE CREDITS are awarded in open and open nonpromotional entrance examinations requiring *less than college graduation and two years of experience*. In OPEN examinations, eligible veterans, widows/widowers of veterans, and spouses of 100% disabled veterans received 10 points. Eligible disabled veterans receive 15 points. In OPEN NONPROMOTIONAL examinations, eligible veterans receive five points. Eligible disabled veterans receive 10 points. Individuals who receive veteran's points are not eligible for career credits. No veterans' preference credits will be allowed once a veteran achieves permanent civil service status. Directions for applying for veterans' preference points are on the Veteran Preference Application (Form 1093) which is available from State Personnel Board Offices, written test proctors, and the Department of Veterans Affairs, P.O. Box 942895, Sacramento, CA 94295-0001.

HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCE: Equivalence to completion of the 12th grade may be demonstrated in any one of the following ways: 1) passing the General Educational Development (GED) Test; 2) completion of 12 semester units of college level work; 3) certification from the State Department of Education, a local school board, or high school authorities that the candidate is considered to have the education equivalent to graduation from high school; or 4) for clerical and accounting classes, substitution of business college work in place of high school on a year-for-year basis.

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